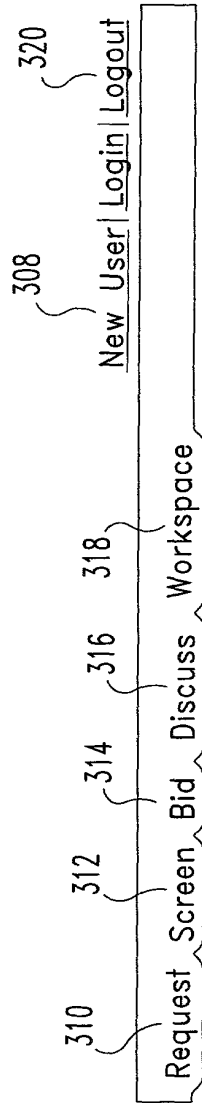
**Fig. 2**

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User Registration
ForInstance.com is committed to providing you a high quality experience as a member of our community. Thanks for taking the first step by registering with us!

Register as a Customer
Use ForInstance.com as your custom software provider.

Register as a Developer
Become an important part of our community by taking an active role in our discussion forums, project screening, project delivery and contributions to our knowledge base of applications.

Fig. 4

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Customer Registration

* User Name
(this is how you'll be known by other users of ForInstance.com)

User Name

(at least 3 characters, no spaces)

* Password
(at least 6 characters)

* Re-enter Password

Password Hint

If you forget your password, we will email you the question you specify here, along with a verification link. You can then provide the answer to reset your

* Question

* Answer

About You

The following information is for ForInstance.com use only.

* First Name

* Last Name

* Email Address

* Phone Number

* Company

Industry

Fig. 5A

How did you hear about us?

Referred by another member

Elsewhere

520 (member's user name)

522 Sign Me Up!

500

Fig. 5B

Developer Registration

Your Account

*** First Name**

*** Last Name**

*** Email Address**

606

* User Name
(this is how you'll be known by other users)

(at least 3 characters, no spaces)

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*** Password**

(at least 6 characters)

*** Re-enter Password**

610

Password Hint

If you forget your password, we will email you the question you specify here, along with a verification link. You can then provide the answer to reset your

*** Question**

(example: what is the name of my pet?)

*** Answer**

How did you hear about us?

Referred by another member

(member's user name)

(member's user name)

Elsewhere

▶

Fig. 6

Sign Me Up!

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Developer Profile

This profile is just one of the ways of establishing yourself on ForInstance.com. Here's your opportunity to share a little about you and your background.

700

702

Your Name

First Name

Daniel

Last Name

James

Overview

704

A short description of your background:

I've worked in a variety of IT positions over the last 15 years including developer, project manager and test lead.

Skills

706

Specify up to 5 skills that you are proficient in

Visual Basic

Front Page

Fig. 7A

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Affiliations and Certifications

708

What companies are you affiliated with?

DJ Complex

710

What business and professional organizations are you affiliated with?

Project Management Institute

712

What certifications do you hold?

716

Submit

Other

714

URL http:// www.forinstance.com

Fig. 7B

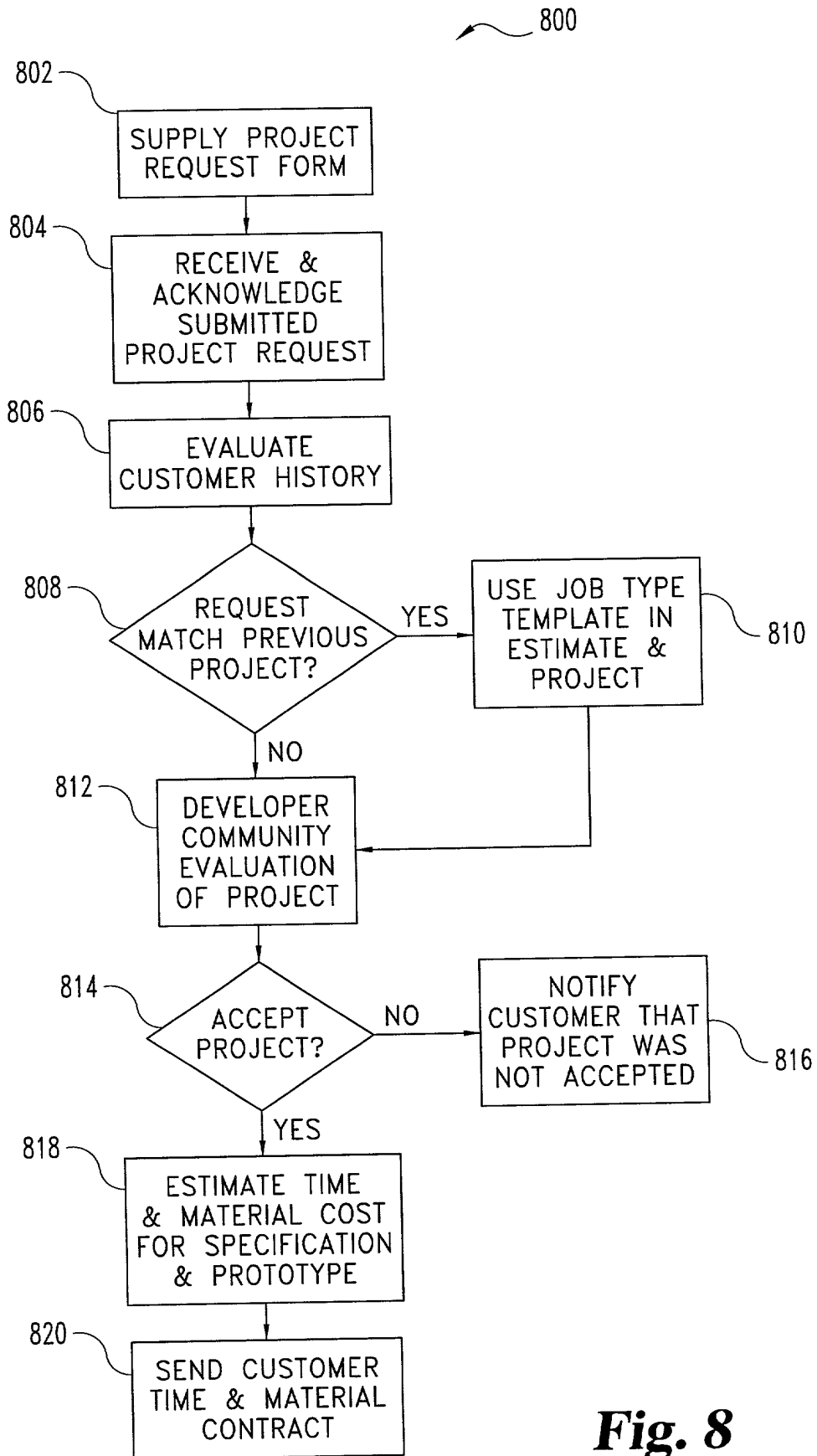


Fig. 8

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Request

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Screen

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Bid

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Discuss

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Workspace

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Project Request

Customer

902

904

Contact Information

* Phone number

906

Summary Information

* Project name

* A short description of the application

910

Desired delivery date

(MM/DD/YYYY)

912

How would you characterize this date

☐ Critical, if this date can't be met, we don't want the application.
 ☐ Important, delays would cause significant impact on my company.
 ☒ Negotiable, we want the application as soon as possible, but this date is negotiable.

Fig. 9A

* Please provide a list of the various kinds of information this application will manage.

Please be as comprehensive as possible as it helps us better understand your need.

Application details

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For example: If this is a customer contact system: customer names, addresses, phone numbers, when last contacted, follow-up date, etc. If this is an inventory system, accounting

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* A description of the type of work performed by users of the application. (E.g. are they executives, sales people, administrative assistants, teachers, lawyers, etc.)

918

How many people will use application?

919

☐ Yes
 ☒ No

Will this application be shared over a network?

920

☐ Yes
 ☒ No

Will the requested application need to exchange data with any other application?

Interaction with other applications

920

☐ Yes
 ☒ No

Fig. 9B

If this is a commercially available application, what is the name and publishing company?

922

900

Replacing an existing application

☐ Yes ☒ No 924

☐ purchased commercial application 926

☐ custom developed application

928

If it is a commercial application what is the name and version number?

930

May we be allowed to see the "old" application?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Other possible solutions 932

☐ Yes ☒ No

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936

If yes, what is the application's name and company?

How did this application fail to meet your needs?

Fig. 9C

900

Your environment 938

* Target Platform

☐ Windows 3.1

☐ Windows 95/98

☐ Windows 2000

☐ Macintosh

☐ Palm Pilot

☐ Windows CE

☐ Internet/Intranet/Web

☐ Not sure

other:

940

Are there technical constraints that apply to the application, e.g. it must be developed using a particular language, it must co-exist with some other application, etc.

942 944

Fig. 9D

1000

New User | Login | Logout

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Admin Workspace

Request Screen Bid Discuss Workspace

1002

ACCOUNTS Developers (290), Customers (93) ±, Sales, (6) ±, Admin (9) ±, Requests Summary

MANAGE Projects, Mail Lists, Discussion Topics, Skills, Your Password / Profile, Clear "new" tags

1006

CURRENT TOPICS

1004

General Discussion (52) Software development in a virtual world (4) How does ForInstance.com work? (8)

Suggestion Box (13)

REQUEST

VPR 1010

Provider Directory Automation

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SCREEN

VPR 1010

Association Handbook

APB Missing Shipment dbase

e-Commerce Web Site

Conference badge scanner

Project Catalog Library

Time & Task Tracking

GIS (Geographical Information

System) work

1012 1014 1016 1008

Submitted Customer PM QM 1018

12/04/2000 lynchweb 1020

02/08/2001 surossurgical 1022

1014 1016 1018 1022

Customer PM QM ScreenEndDate

mac torrid paulp 10/15/2000* 10

bjoseph torrid paulp 12/15/2000* 21

safeone torrid paulp 12/31/2000* 25

foresight 02/08/2001* 18

nealpearcy torrid paulp 02/15/2001 32

cato 03/01/2001 22

polis 03/15/2001 0

1026

1024

Can't help # No Msgs

10 0 0 1 1 5 10 8 13 2

18 12 22 15 31 13 0

Fig. 10A

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☐ Projects

Project Request

Submitted: Aug. 14, 2000 09:20

Summary Information

Project name Association Handbook

A short description of the application

Land Title Association wants to have its 740 page handbook available to customers in cd-rom format. Currently, the handbook is available only in paper form and as a word perfect document. The Association is also interested in making the handbook available on the internet via a password login for members. The association is interested in receiving bids on each project: 1.) cd rom; 2.) internet

Desired delivery date Feb 01, 2001

Delivery date is: negotiable

Application details

Please provide a list of the various kinds of information this application will manage.

The cd or internet application would provide access to three areas of the manual describing current state law in the area of title insurance. Access should be based on a keyword search and/or selecting a glossary term or subject matter.

Fig. 11A

A description of the type of work performed by users of the application. Users are real estate professionals with a wide variety of computer skills. The title industry includes attorneys, surveyors, appraisers, sales representatives, title examiners, and settlement providers.

How many people will use application? over 2,000 indiv

Will this application be shared over a network? no

Interaction with other applications

Will the requested application need to exchange data with any other application? no

If this is a commercially available application, what is the name and publishing company? Handbook is copyrighted to the Association

Replacing an existing application

Will this application replace an existing application? no

If so, the application being replaced is a

If it is a commercial application, what is its name and version number?

Fig. 11B

May we be allowed to see the "old" yes
application?

Other possible solutions

Is there a currently available no
commercial application that you
considered before turning to
ForInstance.com?

If yes, what is the application's
name and company?

How did this application fail to meet
your needs?

Your environment

Windows 2000

Target Platform

Are there technical constraints that
apply to the application, e.g. it must
be developed using a particular
language, it must co-exist with some
other application, etc.

Fig. 11C

1200

1202 ~ Application Family: _____
 1204 ~ Application Type: _____
 1205 ~ Application Sub-Type: _____
 1206 ~ Username: _____ (same username as used in community)
 1208 ~ Experience Level: _____ (1 to 10 or more jobs in this category)

1210 ~ Notes:

1212 ~ GUI _____
 1214 ~ Business Rules _____
 1216 ~ Data Elements _____
 1218 ~ Data Modeling _____
 1220 ~ Performance Considerations _____
 1221 ~ Typical High Level Business Requirements _____
 1222 ~ Screen Shots _____
 1224 ~ Lessons Learned _____

1226 ~ Hits: _____ (number of times this information accessed by community members)
 1228 ~ Date Entered: _____

Fig. 12

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Project Screening

Developers: login to screen requests

Login

1304

Project requests in screening

Project name

[Project Catalog Library](#)

[Time & Task Tracking](#)

Screening ends

Feb 15, 2001

Mar 01, 2001

1306

Screened projects awaiting requirements

Project name

[Association Handbook](#)

[APB Missing Shipment](#)

[e-Commerce Web Site](#)

[Conference badge scanner](#)

[Medical Procedure](#)

Screening ended

Oct 15, 2000

Dec 15, 2000

Dec 31, 2000

Feb 08, 2001

Jul 31, 2000

1300

Please review our incoming requests and help us determine potential "fit" for delivery within our community. Rank the request and give us your comments.

A few things to remember:

1. Customers aren't expected to know what types of projects we can deliver so there's going to be a wide variety of requests – don't let it bother you, just vote appropriately and move on...
 2. Comments and ratings captured during the screening process will move forward with the project if it gets to "active" status (it won't get to active status unless enough of you give it some high ratings).
- You can establish yourself as a resource on this project even if you don't actually do the work – yet another way to enhance your reputation.

Fig. 13

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Project Screening

Project Catalog Library

Screening ends: Feb 15, 2001

This is a re-write of an existing application. The application helps craft people to track books and catalogs containing patterns, instructions, and plans for various craft projects. This is a commercial product.

It is currently written in FoxPro 2.6 and compatibility problems are starting to be noticed, especially with Windows 2000, ME, and NT. A move to Access, possibly with a Visual Basic frontend, should solve the problem.

Vote tally

Go for it! I'm interested: 32 Go for it! But I can't help: 8 Not right for our process: 1

Your current vote is: N/A

Fig. 14A

1408

Place or update your vote

- ☒ Go for it! I'm interested and qualified.
- ☐ Go for it! But I can't help because of time or skill set.
- ☐ As currently defined, this project does not fit our process. (Please contribute to the discussion if you select this.)

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1414

1412

☐ email me when a new message is posted to this discussion

Message

VB & Access

RE:VB & Access

Would the client consider a...

RE:Would the client consider a...

RE: My 2 cents

RE: My 2 cents

RE: My 2 cents

RE: My 2 cents

RE: My 2 cents

"Project" Status Update

Author	Date
skyasa	Feb 11, 2001 00:27
torrid	Feb 12, 2001 11:04
vince	Feb 02, 2001 17:04
boba	Feb 02, 2001 23:17
sseverson	Feb 05, 2001 11:08
mresanchez	Feb 05, 2001 12:51
torrid	Feb 06, 2001 07:07
cmosca	Feb 09, 2001 09:36
torrid	Feb 09, 2001 17:27
torrid	Jan 24, 2001 12:39

Fig. 14B

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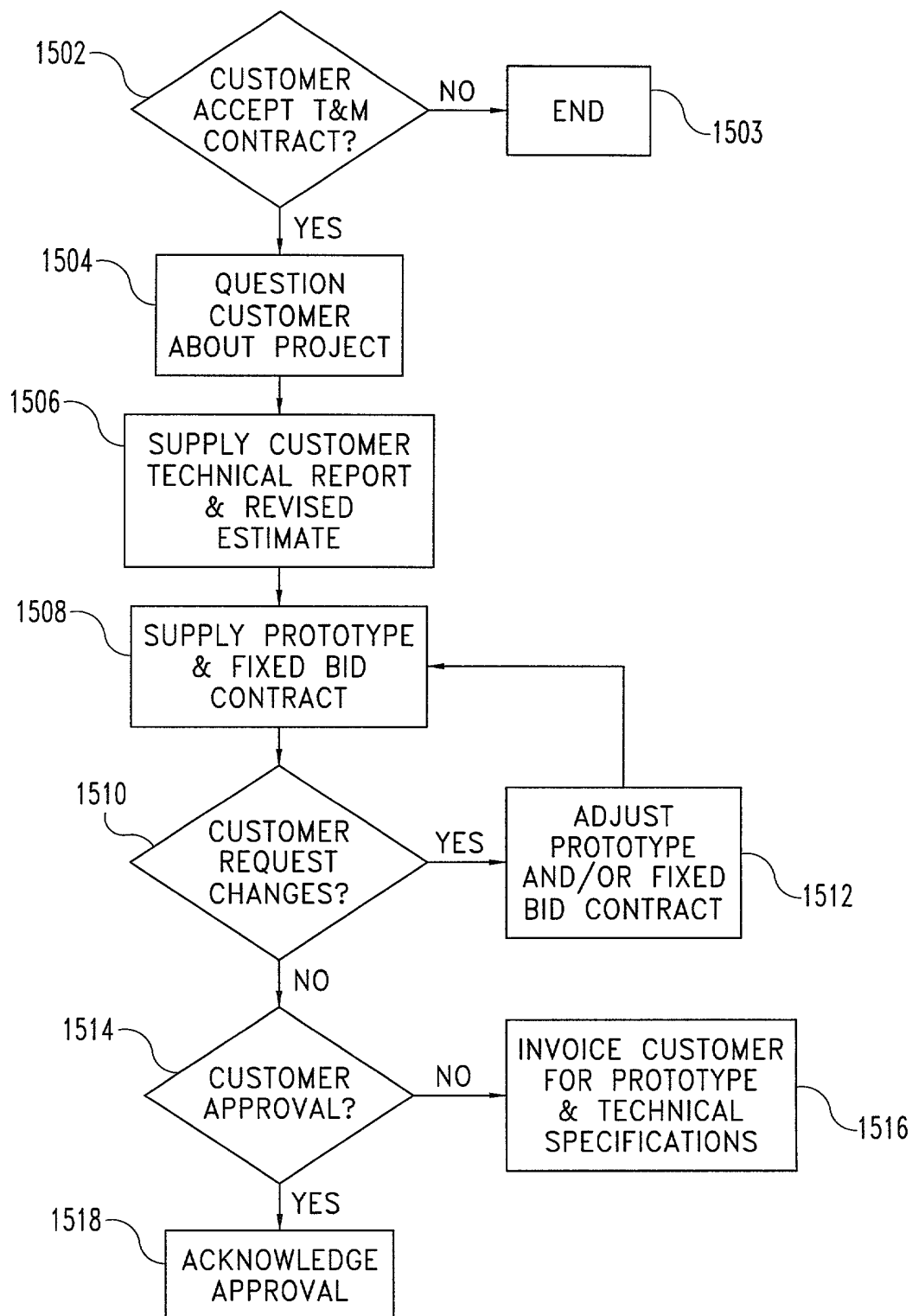


Fig. 15

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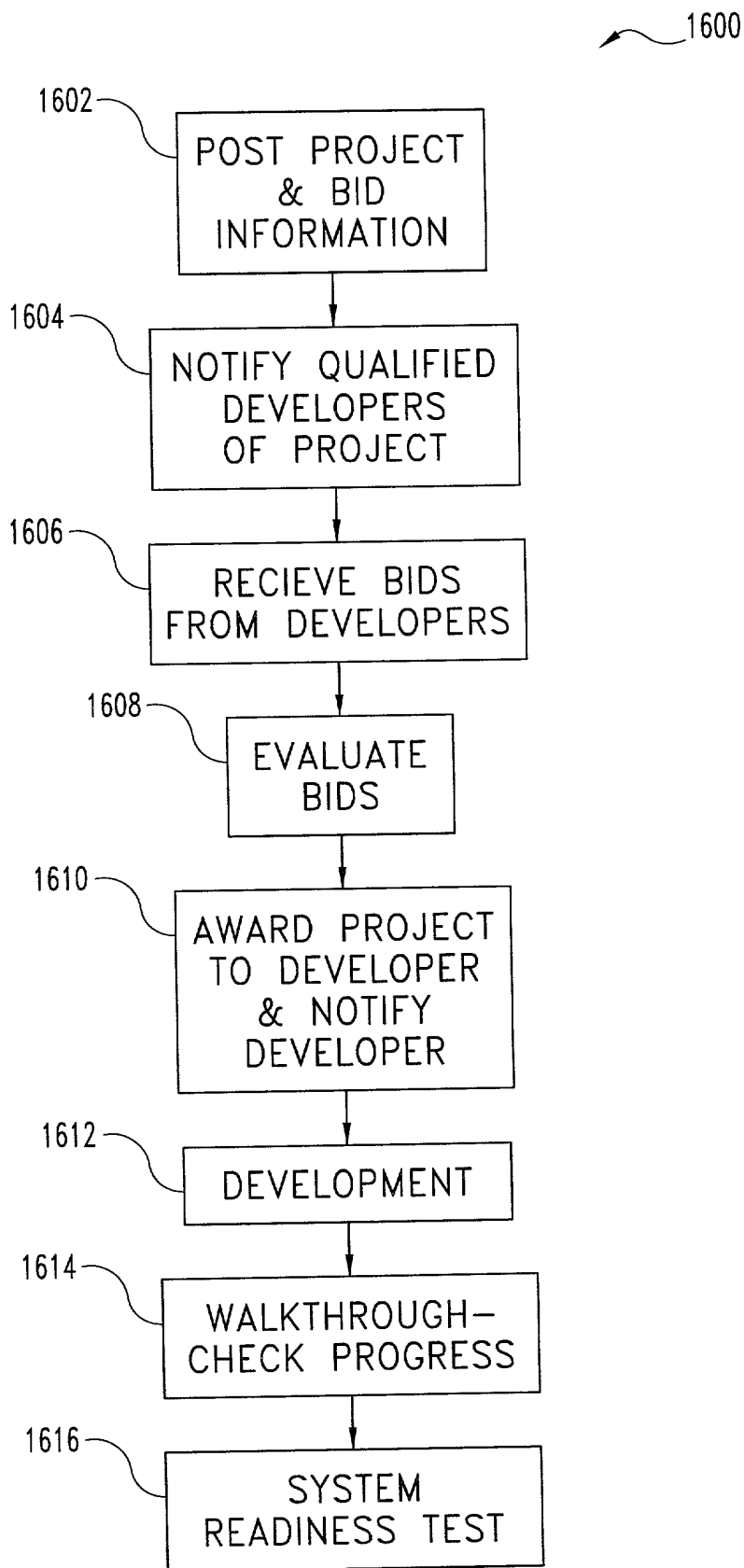


Fig. 16

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Bid on a Project

Developers: login to

bid on projects

Login

Welcome to our bidding process.

Please make sure you have all unanswered questions taken care of before you bid.

All bids are final. By bidding on a project, you are signifying that you will deliver the specified software for the amount you bid, in the timeframes specified, following the quality processes defined by ForInstance.Com.

You may enter multiple bids. Your most recent bid is the binding bid.

Detailed requirements will be made available for each project.

Example Requirements
[ExampleReq.pdf \(82k\)](#)

This requirements document describes one screen of an application (specifically, the project screening page of ForInstance.com).

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1702 Projects up for bid

1704 Project Automated Invoice

1706 delivery date Feb 23, 2001

1708 #bidders 2

1710 bidding ends Feb 12, 2001

Projects in development

Project

[area specific coupon management](#)

[Resource Library Database](#)

[Data Viewer Print Enhancements](#)

[Annual Report Project](#)

[Media Tools for Web Site](#)

[Nutritional Treatment Assessment Database](#)

[View past projects](#)

delivery	Sep 29, 2000	#bidders	2	bidding ended	Sep 07, 2000
delivery	Oct 06, 2000	#bidders	2		Sep 13, 2000
delivery	Sep 22, 2000	#bidders	1		Sep 15, 2000
delivery	Nov 20, 2000	#bidders	3		Oct 30, 2000
delivery	Feb 20, 2001	#bidders	6		Jan 30, 2001
delivery	Mar 15, 2001	#bidders	6		Jan 31, 2001

Fig. 17

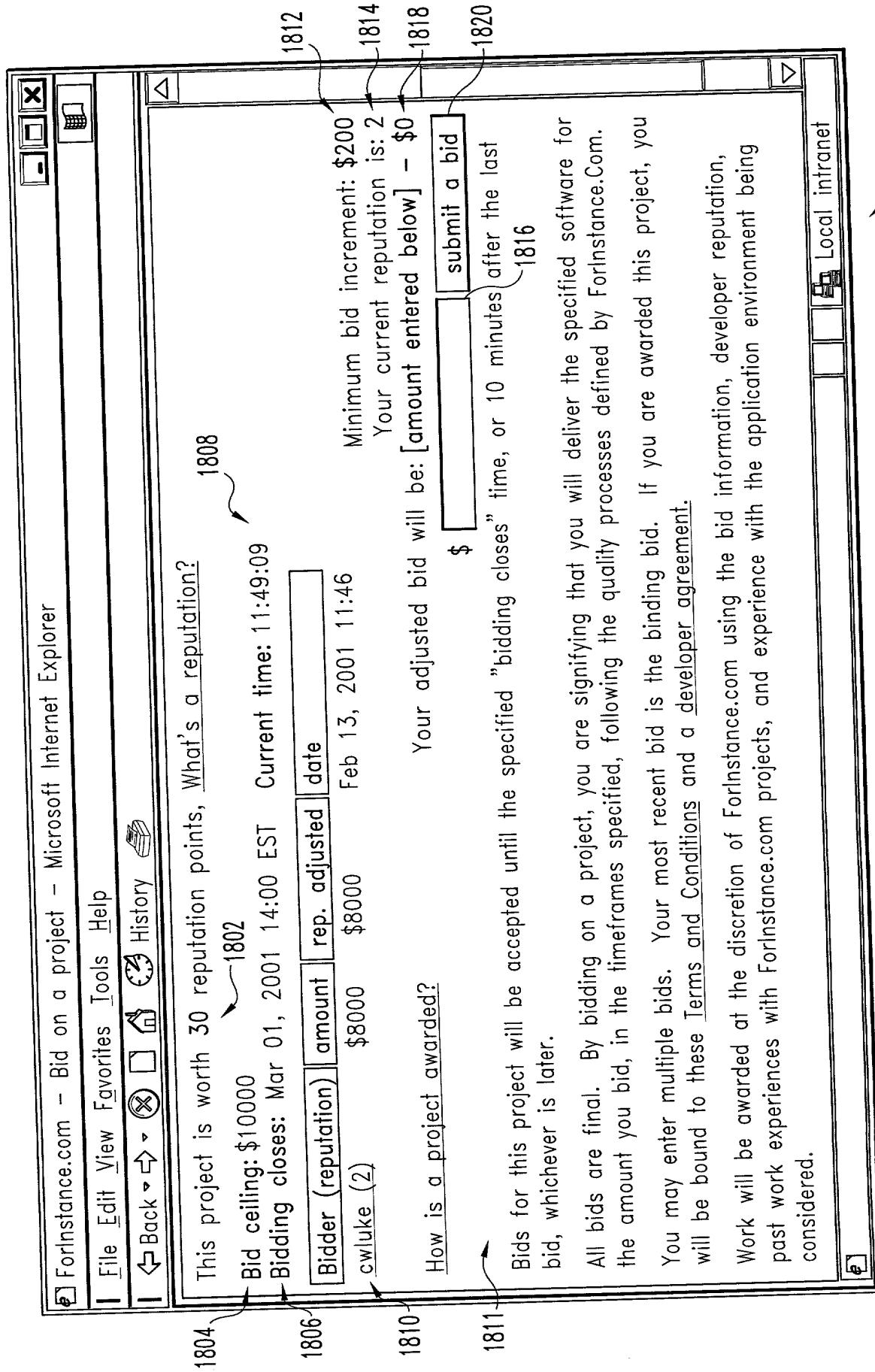


Fig. 18A

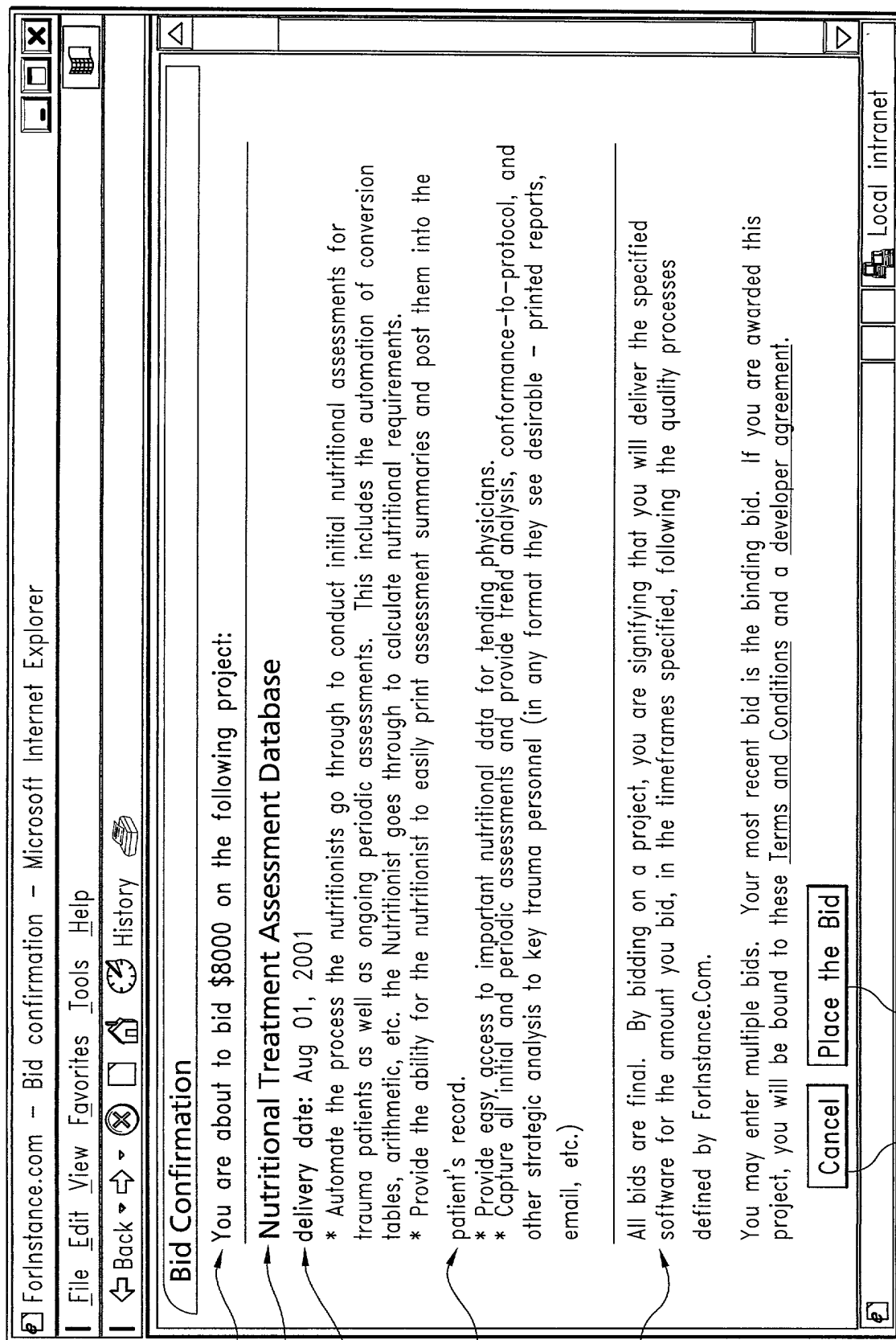


Fig. 18B

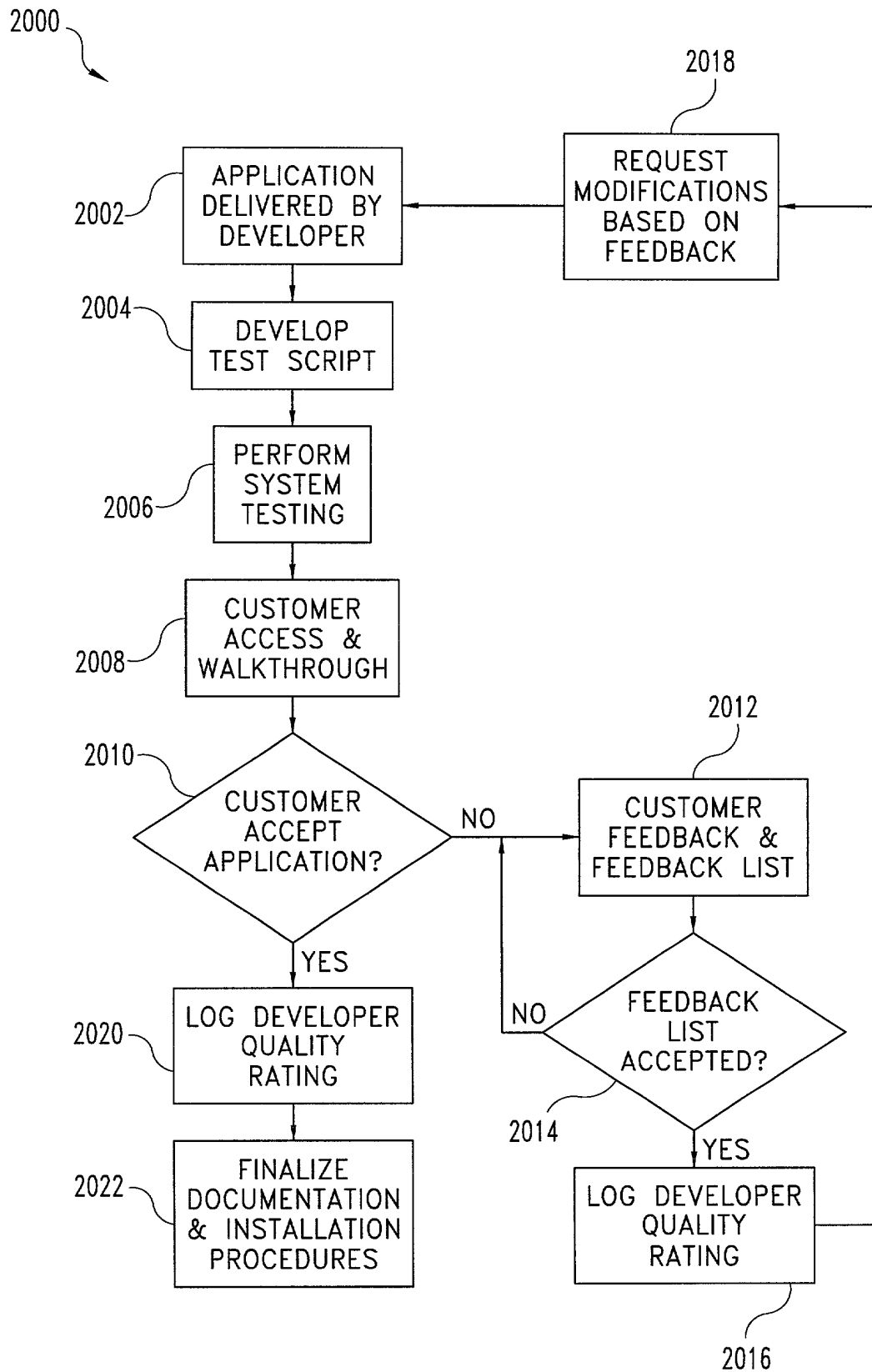


Fig. 20

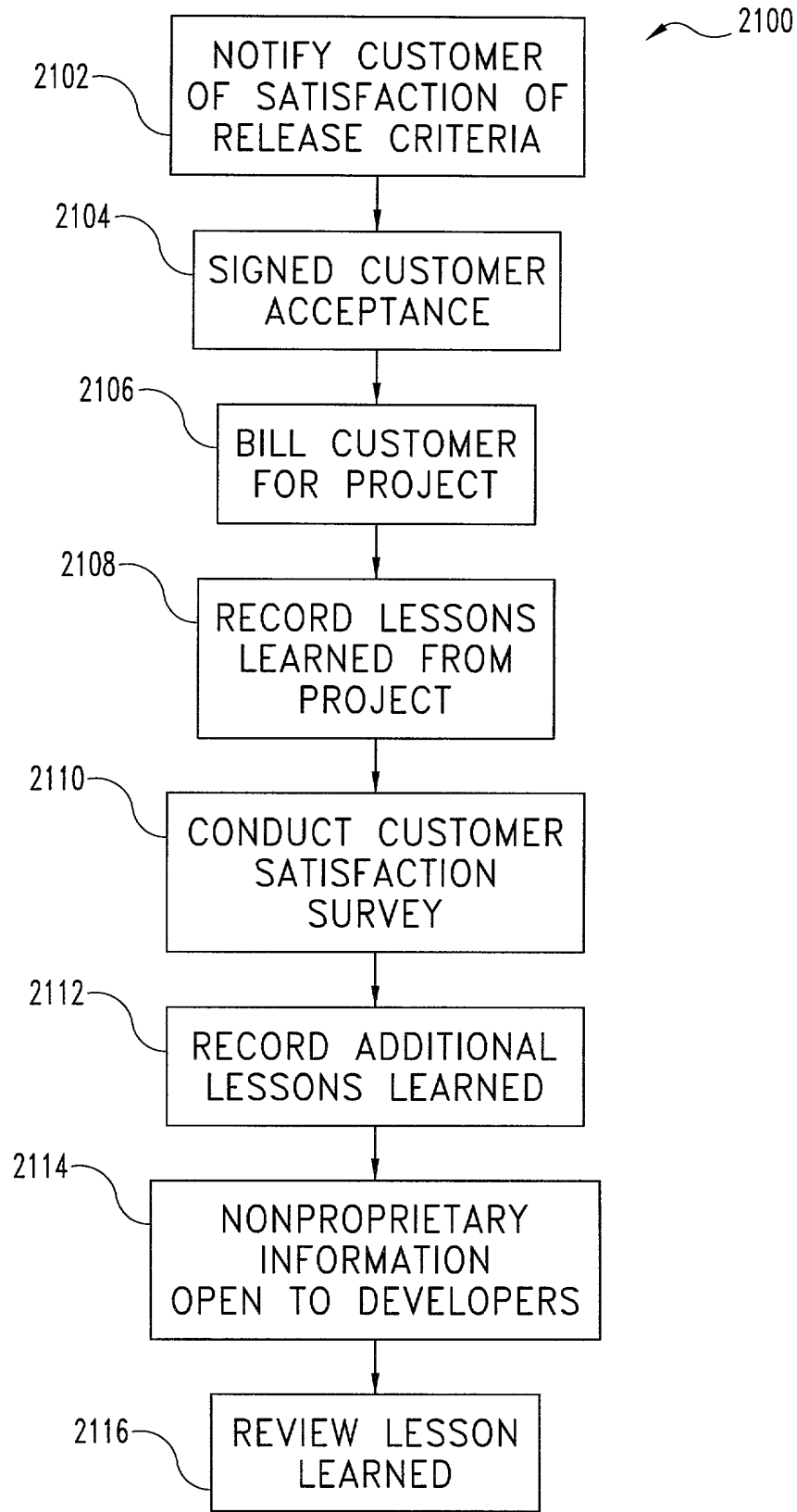
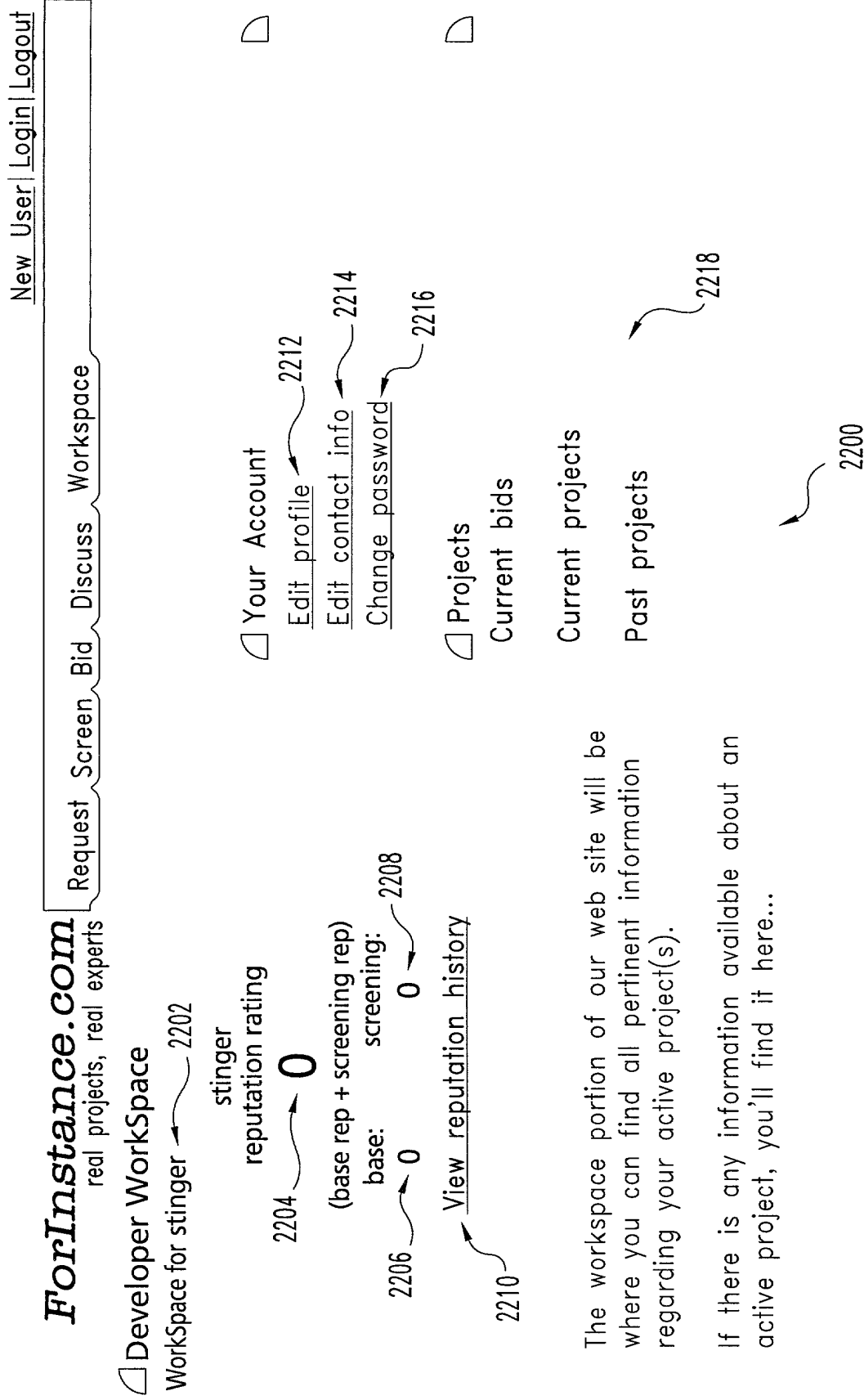


Fig. 21



The workspace portion of our web site will be where you can find all pertinent information regarding your active project(s).

If there is any information available about an active project, you'll find it here...

Fig. 22